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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 18, 2007.

The Examiner has required restriction of the application to one of the groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Applicants, by their attorney, now elect the claims of Group II, claims 23-28 and 31-53, without traverse. Favorable action is now solicited.

Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications on all non-elected subject matter of the instant application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional Filing Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, as well as any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 associated with this communication for which full payment had not been tendered, to Deposit Account No. 01-0025.

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